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**U.S. CHARGES 2 ATLANTIC CITY MEN AND A WOMAN
WITH ARMED KIDNAPPING OF A NEW YORK CITY MAN**

DAVID N. KELLEY, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York announced today the arrests of CRAIG DUNN, a/k/a "Kevin Brooks," a/k/a "Craig C. Dunn," a/k/a "Craig Johnson," DARNELL L. CARTER, and EULARIA KELLY. DUNN, CARTER, and KELLY are charged in an Amended Complaint with kidnapping, using and carrying firearms during the commission of the kidnapping, and aiding and abetting in those crimes.

According to the Amended Complaint filed yesterday in Manhattan federal court, DUNN, CARTER, KELLY and two other individuals not charged in the Amended Complaint were involved in the kidnapping of a person (the "Victim") on or about January 17, 2005. The Victim was abducted at gunpoint from the vicinity of 177th Street and Broadway, in Manhattan, New York, and restrained inside a car (the "Car"), where he was beaten with a pistol and stabbed with a knife. The Victim was taken to Absecon, New Jersey, where he was held overnight by DUNN, CARTER, and KELLY, in a room at the Travelodge Motel in Absecon, New Jersey

(Galloway Township) ("TRAVE LODGE"), it was charged. The defendants allegedly made numerous ransom demands to acquaintances of the Victim, and the acquaintances called the New York City Police Department to report the crime. On or about January 18, 2005, the Victim was taken from the TRAVELODGE to the Car and was kept restrained inside the Car. KELLY, DUNN, and CARTER were in the Car and KELLY was driving, it was charged.

According to the Complaint, law enforcement officials were able to locate the kidnappers by tracing the ransom calls to Absecon, New Jersey. Law enforcement officers also put out a "Be On The Lookout" ("BOLO") alert on the New Jersey State Police Communication System and the National Crime Information Center System for the Car, for which the Victim's acquaintance had provided a description. Law enforcement officers on the lookout for the car spotted it at the TRAVELODGE. The officers observed individuals getting into the Car, followed the Car, and stopped the Car at or near the Bass River Toll Plaza on the Garden State Parkway, in New Jersey.

According to the charges, the Victim was inside the Car, bound and handcuffed with a hood over his head. The Victim had a blunt force trauma to his head, a stab wound, and was bleeding. A .45 caliber semi-automatic firearm was recovered from the Car, it was charged.

The defendants are charged in the Amended Complaint

with kidnapping and using and carrying firearms during the commission of the kidnapping, and aiding and abetting in those crimes. If convicted on the kidnapping charge, the defendants face maximum sentences of life imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine or twice the gross gain or loss resulting from the crime. If convicted on the firearms charge, the defendants face a consecutive mandatory minimum sentence of five years' imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine or twice the gross gain or loss resulting from the crime.

The defendants were presented on the original Complaint on Wednesday, January 19, 2005, before United States Magistrate Judge HENRY B. PITMAN in Manhattan federal court. DUNN and CARTER were detained, and KELLY will have a detention hearing on Monday, January 24, 2005.

Mr. KELLEY praised the efforts of the FBI and its Atlantic City Resident Agency, the New Jersey State Police, the Atlantic City Police Department and the New York City Police Department Major Case Squad for their assistance in this case.

Assistant United States Attorney JILLIAN BERMAN is in charge of the prosecution.

The charges contained in the Amended Complaint are merely accusations, and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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